

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 38 – HB 208**

January 25, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires Department of Transportation (TDOT) to implement and maintain a statewide billboard campaign concentrated on methamphetamine; authorizes TDOT to negotiate with billboard companies for available billboards; authorizes TDOT to utilize existing departmental funding to effectuate the provisions of this act; requires TDOT to report annually the status of the billboard campaign to the chairs of the house and senate transportation committees.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

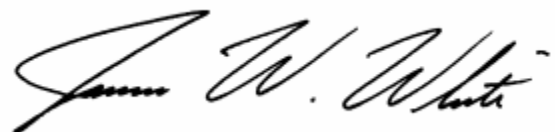
#### **Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant/Highway Fund**

Assumptions:

- 100 billboards used in campaign.
- Average cost of billboard \$5,750.
- Estimated cost, prior to any donations, grants, or billboard space that may be provided free or at a low cost, is \$575,000.
- Estimated that the majority of billboard space will either be donated or provided at low cost by billboard companies as a public service effort.
- Estimated that the majority of any remaining costs would be paid for with private grants or donations.
- Any remaining cost to the Department of Transportation, after any free or low cost billboard space, private donations or grants, is estimated to be not significant.
- No federal funding can go towards this campaign because the department has not compiled statistical data to support that Tennessee has a problem with drivers using methamphetamine, a requirement for such funding.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director